REMARKS

The title has been amended to be in conformance with the English translation of the International Application.

The specification is amended in accordance with 37 CFR §1.78 to make reference to the International Application from which this application originates and to incorporate by reference the Japanese priority application. Also, the specification is amended to conform to U.S. practice. A marked-up copy and a clean copy of the substitute specification are provided.

Claims have been amended to eliminate multiple dependencies. The amendments are made to reduce filing fees and not for any other reason related to patentability of such claims.

The Abstract has been amended to conform to the U.S. practice.

No new matter has been added by these amendments.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

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